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LOS ANGELES COUNTY

October 13, 2009

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
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Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**APPROVAL OF BUDGET APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT TO
INCREASE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES HEALTH SERVICES
ADMINISTRATION'S SERVICES AND SUPPLIES APPROPRIATION
FOR HOSPITAL PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)
(4 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

Request approval of a budget appropriation adjustment to increase the Department of Health Services Health Services Administration's Services and Supplies appropriation.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Approve the attached budget appropriation adjustment to recognize funding from the United States Department of Health and Human Services' (USDHHS) in Fiscal Year (FY) 2009-10 in the amount of \$10,740,000 for Services and Supplies (S&S).

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

Approval of the recommended action will enable Department of Health Services (DHS) to increase its FY 2009-10 S&S appropriation to fund programs that enhance the healthcare community's ability to respond to natural and man-made disasters through participation in the USDHHS' Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP). The funding provided through the USDHHS' HPP Grant is used to build medical surge capacity with local hospitals and other healthcare partners through associated planning, personnel, equipment, training and exercise capabilities. The additional allocation for Pandemic Influenza Healthcare Preparedness Improvements will support healthcare workforce protection through the purchase of personal protective equipment and the delivery of vaccination. In addition, hospitals will develop plans to handle a medical surge resulting from a pandemic influenza event.

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Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended action supports Goal 1, Operational Effectiveness, and Goal 4, Health and Mental Health of the County's Strategic Plan.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The HPP is 100 percent funded by a grant provided by the USDHHS. There is no cost to the County.

The Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2009 HPP grant funding awarded to DHS is \$14,318,554, which includes \$2,940,946 for Pandemic Influenza Healthcare Preparedness Improvements for States. The grant period is August 9, 2009 through June 30, 2010 with an expected one-year no-cost extension to June 30, 2011. The total FY 2009-10 grant expenditures are estimated at \$13,180,000, which includes the requested approval of the attached budget adjustment for \$10,740,000 and \$2,440,000 that is included in the FY 2009-10 Adopted Budget. The total amount will be expended and collected in FY 2009-10 to continue DHS' efforts to insure that area hospitals are fully prepared to deliver coordinated and effective care to victims of terrorism and other public health emergencies, such as pandemic influenza. The balance of the FFY 2009 grant funding of \$1,138,554 will be used to maintain these programs and will be requested in future fiscal years.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On September 3, 2002, your Board approved and accepted Los Angeles County's first apportionment of grant funds for the National Bioterrorism Hospital Preparedness Program (NBHPP), designated for hospital terrorism preparedness program activities. Funding to the County for this purpose has continued in subsequent years.

On December 18, 2007, your Board accepted funding in the amount of \$13,111,395, for continued participation in the HPP for the period effective September 2007 through August 2008, and delegated authority to DHS to accept future grant awards through August 08, 2012, and the expected one year no cost extension to August 2013, and to continue to work with healthcare providers (new and existing participants in the HPP), including acute care hospitals, clinics and other healthcare entities, to negotiate and execute agreements and amendments to existing agreements, effective January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008, and thereafter on a year-to-year basis, each year that a HPP award is received, through August 31, 2013. Under this delegated authority and subsequent to Board approval of this appropriation adjustment, DHS will execute agreements and amendments with 84 participants in the HPP for the period effective January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010.

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In 2007, the NBHPP was renamed the HPP and was reauthorized for another five years by Section 2802 of the Public Health Services Act, as amended by the Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act (Public Law 107-188) authorizing the Secretary of USDHHS to award cooperative agreements to improve surge capacity and enhance community and hospital preparedness. Each year the federal government appropriates funds for the HPP during their budgeting process. Funding for the FFY 2009 awards is provided by the Revised Continuing Appropriations Resolution, 2007 (Public Law 110-5). Los Angeles County continues to be one of four metropolitan jurisdictional areas that are direct recipients of these grant funds.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Not applicable.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of this action will allow the utilization of HPP grant funding to continue to enhance the healthcare community's ability to prepare, respond, and recovery from disaster by building medical surge capacity through associated planning, personnel, equipment, training and exercise capabilities. The additional allocation for Pandemic Influenza Healthcare Preparedness Improvements will support healthcare workforce protection through the purchase of personal protective equipment and the delivery of vaccination. In addition, hospitals will develop plans to handle a medical surge resulting from a pandemic influenza event.

Respectfully submitted,



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Interim Director

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Attachment

c: Chief Executive Officer
Acting County Counsel
Executive Office, Board of Supervisors
Auditor-Controller

BA Adjustment for HPP BL

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

request for appropriation adjustment

department of Health Services

Dept's.

No. 110

September 16, 2009

Auditor-Controller:

the following appropriation adjustment is deemed necessary by this department. will you please report as to accounting and available balances and forward to the Chief Executive Officer for his recommendation or action.

ADJUSTMENT REQUESTED AND REASONS THEREFOR

FY 2009-10
4 - VOTES

SOURCES

HS-Health Services Administration
A01-HS-90-9001-20000
Federal Other
Increase Revenue

\$10,740,000

USES

HS-Health Services Administration
A01-HS-2000-20000
Services & Supplies
Increase Appropriation

\$10,740,000

JUSTIFICATION

To reflect an increase in grant revenue and services & supplies based on expenditures estimated to be incurred in Fiscal Year (FY) 2009-10, as a result of acceptance of the Federal FY 2009 Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP) Grant per delegated authority granted to the Director of Health Services by the Board of Supervisors on December 18, 2007. The total HPP grant award is \$14,318,554, which includes \$2,940,946 for Pandemic Influenza Healthcare Preparedness Improvements for States. The total FY 2009-10 grant expenditures are estimated at \$13,180,000, which includes the requested approval of the budgeted adjustment for \$10,740,000 and \$2,440,000 that is included in the FY 2009-10 Adopted Budget. The balance of the grant will be requested in future fiscal years.


Mela Guerrero, Controller (DHS Controller's Div.)

Chief Executive Officer's Report

Referred to the Chief
Executive Officer for —

action

Approved as Requested

as Revised

Recommendation

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Chief Executive Officer

auditor-controller

by

approved (as revised):
board of supervisors

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by

deputy county clerk